

We hope you will attend “Innovations and Partnerships in Transportation: Thinking Boldly To Move Forward Together”, a conference being held in Tacoma on December 5th, 2017.

The Washington State Department of Transportation is coordinating a conference for internal and external partners that will focus on how we manage the transportation system and how, through trust, partnerships, collaboration and community engagement, we can foster a more sustainable and practical future. Based on your work to keep Washington moving, and our strong desire to collaborate with you moving forward, we hope you will attend.

We will hear from an exciting group of speakers:

- Roger Millar, Secretary of Transportation, will set the stage with a discussion on managing our transportation system through practical solutions, with an emphasis on workforce development, community engagement, and inclusion.
- Joe Minicozzi, AICP, principal of Urban3, LLC, works with local leaders and stakeholders across the country to change how they view development in their communities. As Keynote, Joe will share this perspective with the audience, further strengthening the link between planning and economic development and our transportation systems.
- Colette Holt, a nationally recognized expert in designing, implementing and defending affirmative action programs, will discuss how these programs benefit communities and why it's important that we, as stewards of public resources, should care.
- National smart transportation experts Eric Sundquist and Gary Toth will engage session participants in an exploration of the role of transportation in supporting economic performance and placemaking.

Look for additional speaker information and registration details in future communications.

Who should attend?

- Project managers and operations personnel
- Planners and policy makers from federal, state, regional and local government
- Tribal officials and planners
- Representatives from nonprofit and advocacy organizations
- Transportation researchers
- Vendor representatives involved in transportation logistics
- Other stakeholders

Cost of attendance is \$150 and includes lunch and refreshments. Registration will open soon; look for our link in mid-October. If you have any questions, contact [Kendra Palmen](#) at WSDOT. We're looking forward to seeing you in December!

